

## POLITICIANS ARE DONNING THEIR ARMOR FOR COMING FRAY

Political Pot Starts Bubbling and Many Candidates Come Forth for Offices at the Next Election.

From dispatches received from various counties throughout the state, it seems to be a fact that the political pot has already begun to boil. The time when the poor suffering public will be given the opportunity to cast their red, white and blue ballots, under the new election law, is more than a year distant, but this does not seem to have frightened the office seekers the least, for from the four corners of the compass rumors are beginning to put on their armor and get ready their weapons for the big battle a year or more next November.

This preparation is not confined to Reno, Carson, Goldfield and other big towns of this state. Tonopah has already imbibed a spirit and the warhorses of all parties, residing here, are beginning to prance. If one would stand around the street corners these days, eyes open and ears pricked up, wouldn't be much trouble to detect the sound of the approaching battle, for on all sides the murmur of the politicians is beginning to be heard.

The state offices are, of course, those of the most importance, and naturally they come first when politics is being discussed. For these offices Nye county seems to have no rivals in the state.

George Bartlett, who has been rumored many times within the past few weeks, seems to be the choice of a large proportion of the Democratic party for their next candidate for governor. Mr. Bartlett, who now, as everyone knows, represents the state in congress, is at present resident of Reno, but he has a host of friends scattered throughout the entire state and there appears to be a very strong sentiment in favor of the energetic little congressman filling the gubernatorial chair for the next four years. Of course the congressman is not exactly a resident of Nye county at this time, but he has lived here for so long that we almost claim him as our own, and naturally he must be considered when Nye county politics is discussed.

The next state office over which the political gossips seem the most stated is that of secretary of state. It appears to be almost an assured fact that Jack Owens, the present popular sheriff of this county, will receive the democratic nomination for this office. Owens is a well known man throughout the state, having lived here for many years, and has recently made trips to all of the principal towns in Nevada in connection with fraternal work. This has added to his already well known acquaintance and it looks as though he will have the solid support of the democracy for the position which he desires.

As yet we have not heard of any Republican or other political warhorse who has summoned sufficient courage to get into the race against Owens.

It would seem to the ordinary observer that even one of the greatest counties in the state might be satisfied to rest content with the two offices above named, but the politicians, and especially the Democratic politicians of Nye, are nothing if not ambitious and already two of the bourbon warhorses have shied their castors into the ring with a flourish of trumpets and have announced themselves as candidates for attorney general. These two men are W. B. Pittman and Cleve H. Baker. Pittman, believing that it is always well to be in the race early, has been talking affairs over quietly with his friends throughout the state for the past month, and Baker, on his return from San Francisco and Reno, made the definite announcement that he was going to be a candidate to succeed Stoddard.

Not to be outdone by the aspirants for state positions, certain members of both political parties are already getting their eyes on the county jobs. The office of recorder and auditor, judging from the number of applicants who have already filed their intentions, seems to be one of the most desired positions. Puddy Grimes, who now holds down the chair and draws the salary of auditor, and who has been elected for three successive terms

again be a candidate. Up from the south comes Sam Lindsay, one of the county commissioners. Lindsay denies the rumor that he will be a candidate but says that his friends have urged him to get into the race and the voters of Rhyolite and vicinity seem to concur with his friends for it is understood that Lindsay will have a strong support from his home locality. Jim McCambridge also believes that auditor and recorder is a position which was originally designed and created for him, and you can find Jim on the streets almost any hour of the day in animated conversation with some man who will cast a ballot in November, 1910.

As yet there is no candidate for the office of sheriff other than Ed Malley, the present constable of Tonopah. Those who are on the inside felt at the time of the last election that Malley would no doubt be the man to succeed Owens, and as he has already announced his intention of going into the fight, the wise ones are waiting and quietly saying "I told you so."

The office of district attorney seems a position that has gone begging for a candidate so far. However, both Republicans and Democrats concede that Walter D. Cole, who was a candidate against the incumbent for nomination last November, will have an excellent opportunity to win provided that he goes into the race. It can be counted on as almost a certainty that Mr. Cole will be a candidate and at present it seems that he will have no opposition.

Robert G. Pohl, who is now county clerk, is almost sure to find himself in that position for another two years when the ballots are counted in November, 1910. Pohl has made a fine record and is an exceedingly popular man. It is possible that the Democrats will make no nomination against him, for his friends in the Democratic party are legion. City politics, not to be outdone by state and county, has already, so rumor has it, one candidate in the field. Judge H. H. Atkinson, so his friends say, will be a candidate to succeed himself.

And so the political pot bubbles merrily on and the citizens of Tonopah can expect the discovery of the North Pole and Italian earthquakes to sink into insignificance in the next year in comparison with the big political buttonholings that are in store for them.

## DRUM CORPS WILL MAKE MUSIC AT CONGRESS

DRESSED IN PROSPECTORS' ATTIRE, THEY WILL INVADE GOLDFIELD MONDAY

The town of Elko by public subscription is sending a band of 23 pieces to the mining congress at Goldfield. Reno, realizing the necessity of being represented, is now making arrangements to send a band of 15 pieces. Tonopah is not sending a band, but the drum corps, 25 strong, is going to Goldfield on Monday morning, and will head the Tonopah delegation. The members will wear brand new miners' uniforms, and will remain at Goldfield until Wednesday, when they will escort the members of the mining congress to this city. Their frame-up will be twelve drums, ten bugles, one triangle, one bass drum, cymbals, and drum major. In addition they will have a burro, with its packs, and carrying a banner, "Tonopah, the Mother of Southern Nevada."

At a meeting of some of the members of the Tonopah promotion association yesterday, they heartily endorsed the idea of making a public collection to help defray the expenses, and have promised to head the list with a donation of \$25. The boys will call on the business men Friday with their list and it is hoped they will be successful in

## FAREWELL PARTY IS TENDERED TO DEPARTING GUEST

MRS. KEY PITTMAN ENTERTAINS IN HONOR OF MRS. VAIL MONTGOMERY

One of the most enjoyable occasions that has taken place in this city for a considerable time, occurred yesterday when Mrs. Key Pittman entertained at a luncheon in honor of Mrs. Vail Montgomery, of Louisiana, who has been visiting her nephews, Key Pittman, W. B. Pittman, Frank Pittman and Vail Pittman. Mrs. Montgomery departs Saturday for her southern home.

The luncheon was served in the Mizpah grill room, which had been artistically decorated for the occasion. The decorations were unique, in fact those present stated that it was the prettiest artistic effect ever seen in Tonopah. This work was carried out solely by Mrs. Pittman. The scheme was an assortment of sage brush and specimens of porphyry. The table was of rough pine board on horses, over which the linen was spread. In the center was placed a monument of rocks intertwined with bunches of sage brush. A prospectors' camp fire occupied the center from which a red light gave the appearance of a real fire. Suspended from a rod held by two forked sticks, swung the mulligan pot, one of the most necessary furnishings to a prospecting outfit. At one side stood the coffee pot, while the remaining utensils were scattered over the rocks with collections of empty cans. The simplicity of the arrangement made it all the more beautiful.

The table was surrounded by a perfect bower of sagebrush, while in one corner a nook of desert brush had been arranged for Messrs. Voss and Tatro, who furnished the music throughout the luncheon. It may be said that the musical program was in itself a feature.

The incandescent lights were draped with red, which, shedding a soft light over the assemblage, presented a pleasing picture when contrasted with the white gowns of the ladies.

Impromptu speeches were made by several of the guests after the welcome remarks by Mrs. Pittman, who presided in a charming manner as hostess. The menu cards were a novelty in themselves and added a tinge of westernness to the occasion. They were from the pen of Arthur Buel, the cartoonist. Each bore the name of the guest while in the foreground there appeared a sketch of a burro, surrounded by western scenery.

The menu was an elaborate one and the managers of the grill are deserving of praise for the manner in which it was served. The delicacy of the courses could not have been equaled in any cafe in the west.

Among those who were present at the affair were, Mesdames James Morris, George Thatcher, R. T. Harris, J. H. Morris, Cleve Baker, Arthur Rayercraft, Harry Martin, J. G. Kirchen, Fred Seymour, P. J. McLeod, R. J. Mapes, R. L. Prouty, Westley Stewart, Paul Beardsley, S. Clark, William O'Neill, Eugene Howell, Edgar Collins, W. D. Foster, A. Colby, J. A. Uhlund, W. G. Trent, Vail Montgomery, W. B. Pittman and Key Pittman.

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## VALUATION AT RHYOLITE HAS BEEN REDUCED

FIGURES SHOW DECREASE IN  
AMOUNT OF TAXABLE  
PROPERTY

In the last issue of the Rhyolite Herald there appears an article stating that the valuation of taxable property in the Rhyolite district is higher than last year. The story is as follows:

"Property holders in the Bullfrog district have expected a reduction in valuation this year, but in this they have been disappointed. The official list of taxpayers issued this week by Sheriff J. J. Owens shows an increase for Rhyolite precinct of approximately \$23,000 over last year. "The 1909 assessments for Rhyolite total \$528,824 against \$405,618 for 1908, and \$2,171,391.37 for 1907. The 1907 assessment covered the entire Bullfrog district. The Pioneer and Beatty lists are included with Round Mountain and Manhattan and it is impossible to segregate same for computation. "The tax rate for Rhyolite this year is \$3.35; for Pioneer, Beatty and Manhattan, \$2.60; for Tonopah, \$3.40; remainder of county, \$2.60. "Last year the Rhyolite rate was \$3.55, making a reduction of 20 cents this year.

Taxes are due and payable November 1, 1909. Taxes will become delinquent and 10 per cent will be added after December 6. The board of equalization will meet next Monday at Tonopah."

The article is erroneous in the statement concerning the increase of taxation. The total amount on the assessment roll for the year 1908 was \$570,419, while the total for 1909 shows \$528,824, which is a decrease of \$41,595. The assessor added to the Rhyolite school district this year on railroad mileage \$60,208, also \$30,000 for the Bullfrog Reduction company. Including both these large items in the total amount, Rhyolite pays less this year than during 1908.

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